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In re Application of:)
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Ute ROGNER, et al.) Group Art Unit: 1645
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Serial No.: 09/847,665) Examiner: Not Assigned
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For: IDENTIFICATION OF NEURAL)
DEFECTS ASSOCIATED WITH)
THE NUCLEOSOMAL ASSEMBLY)
PROTEIN 112 GENE)

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 6 with the following paragraph:

This invention also provides a recombinant chromosome comprising a
polynucleotide containing a nucleotide sequence, wherein the sequence includes at
least one modification of the *NAP1L2/Nap1l2*, wherein the modification is selected from
a) substitution, b) deletion, c) frame-shift, d) aberrant insertion, e) altered epigenetic
control, or f) site-directed mutagenesis that causes a loss of biological function in the
NAP1L2 gene.